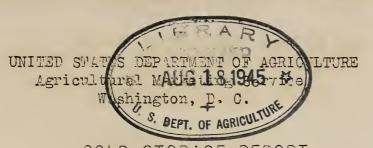
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COLD STORAGE REPORT AS OF MAY 1, 1940

Cold storage holdings of apples, creamery butter, and eggs were all below average on May 1, 1940. Stocks of frozen fruits, cheese, frozen poultry, meats, and lard, on the other hand, were reported by the Agricultural Marketing Service as well above average.

Cheese holdings were about 7 million pounds, poultry 19 million, total meats 66 million, and lard 137 million pounds above the 5-year (1935-39) average for May 1.

Apple stocks in cold storage on May 1, 1940, were about 1 million bushels less than on the same date for 1939 and about 1 million bushels below the May 1 average holdings.

Total holdings of frozen fruits were about $\frac{1}{2}$ million pounds less than on hand a year earlier, but 14 million above average.

Stocks of creamery butter were 61 million pounds below those of May 1, 1939, and 12 million below the 5-year average for May 1.

Holdings of American cheese were approximately 2 million pounds heavier than on May 1 last year and almost 5 million above average. Total stocks of all varieties of cheese were 3 million above a year earlier and 7 million pounds above average.

Stocks of both shell and frozen eggs were below those of a year earlier by 48 thousand cases and 9,539,000 pounds, respectively, and 272,000 cases and 4,954,000 pounds less than average. The total case-equivalent comparisons are 320,000 cases below stocks of May 1, 1939, and 413,000 cases below average.

Total holdings of frozen poultry exceeded those of a year earlier by nearly 16 million pounds and the 5-year average by 19 million. Stocks of turkeys are still heavy, the May 1 holdings being nearly 26 million pounds heavier than those on both the same date of 1939 and the 5-year average.

Stocks of frozen and cured beef were 25 million pounds heavier than those of May 1, 1939, but 4 million pounds below average. Stocks of frozen and cured pork were nearly 87 million pounds above those of the same date a year earlier and nearly 53 million pounds above average.

Lard stocks were 137 million pounds heavier than those on May 1 last year and the same amount above the 5-year average.

Space occupancy returns were received from 190 warehouses for May 1. These indicate that 44 percent of the available net piling space was occupied on that date. The average occupancy of cooler space was reported as 40 percent, an increase above April 1 of 3 percent; the average occupancy of freezers was 54 percent, a reduction from April 1 of 4 percent. The May 1 figures, which are preliminary, are compared with revised figures for April 1 and will be revised by the addition of late reports with the June 1 release.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

FRESH FRUITS

The cut-of-storage movement of cold-storage stocks of apples totaled the equivalent of 5,039,000 bushels during April. This quantity compares with an out-movement of 4,473,000 bushels during April 1939 and 4,969,000 bushels for the 5-year (1935-39) average. May 1, 1940, stocks were 1,120,000 bushels less than those on May 1, 1939, and 987,000 bushels less than average for the 5 years 1935-39.

FROZEN FRUITS

Total stocks of all frozen and preserved fruits were 75,620,000 pounds, which quantity is 560,000 less than that on hand May 1, 1939, but 14,113,000 pounds greater than the 5-year average. The net reduction in stocks during April totaled 14,079,000 pounds. This compares with 14,980,000 pounds net withdrawals for April 1939 and an average of 9,062,000 pounds.

Of the total fruit reported, 13,761,000 pounds were unclassified as to variety.

FROZEN VEGETABLES

Stocks of frozen vegetables totaled 49,089,000 pounds, of which quantity 2,920,000 pounds were unclassified by variety. May I holdings exceeded those of a year earlier by 1,664,000 pounds. Net withdrawals during April were 6,808,000 pounds compared with 3,868,000 pounds for the same period of 1939.

Contents of May 1 Cold Storage Report

Separate tables appearing in this report show United States stocks on hand on May 1, this year compared with previous periods, for the following groups of commodities:

Fresh Fruits and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, page 3;

Dairy and Poultry Products, page 4;

Meats (cured and frozen) and Lard, page 5.

Special tables of cold storage holdings are included for cream, butter, American cheese, eggs and poultry, by States, page 6; apples, by States, and frozen fruits, by container-size, page 7; May 1, 1940, data for all commodities, by geographic regions, pages 8 and 9; the monthly report on warehouse space occupancy in cubic feet reported, with comparisons and revised figures for April 1, 1940, and the percentage of space occupied on May 1 (preliminary) and April 1 (revised), page 10.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

(See table on page 8 for May 1, 1940, holdings by geographic divisions)

			r			
Commodity	May 1, 5-yr.av. 1935-39	May 1, 1939	April 1, 1940	May 1,		
FRUITS, FRESH	- Thousands -					
Apples	2,385 1/ 2,075 4,586	2,598 1/ 2,082 4,707	70 4,076 2,215 2,137 8,638	17 1,867 899 782 3,599		
Pears, Bartlettspacked boxes Pears, Bartlettsloose boxes Pears, all other varieties.boxes Pearsbushel baskets	- 66 3	3 1 59 5	5 1 . 226 	- 54 -		
FRUITS, FROZEN 2/			,			
Blackberries pounds Blueberries " Cherries " Logan and similar berries " Raspberries " Strawberries " Other fruits " Classification not reported "	Data for these earlier years not compara- ble	1,414 4,176 11,094 2,680 5,205 22,015 12,522 17,074	3,441 4,143 16,184 1,551 6,108 25,593 16,028 16,651	2,596 3,766 13,325 1,286 5,444 20,667 14,775 13,761		
TOTAL"	61,507	76,180	89,699	75,620		
VEGETABLES, FROZEN Asparagus pounds Beans, lima "Beans, snap "Broccoli, green "Corn, sweet "Peas, green "Spinach "Classification not reported "TOTAL "	His- torical data not avail- ble	2,927 9,562 4,696 1,036 5,063 15,380 2,549 2,112 4,100	7,086 11,666 4,501 1,624 5,775 14,869 4,627 2,860 2,889	5,593 10,158 4,172 1,361 5,339 12,278 4,647 2,621 2,920 49,089		

Previously included with "bushel baskets".

See also table on page 7 showing reported segregation by small and large containers.

A slight into-storage movement of creamery butter occurred during April, May 1 stocks being 582,000 pounds above those of April 1. During April 1939 a decrease of 8,000,000 pounds was reported, and the 5-year average (1935-39) shows a decrease of 623,000 pounds. May 1 stocks, totaling 9,457,000 pounds, were 61,452,000 less than those on hand a year earlier and 12,169,000 less than average. No stocks were held by the Dairy Products Marketing Association on April 1 while Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation holdings were increased during April by 1,054,000 pounds. Commercial stocks on hand May 1 were 8,214,000 pounds compared with 8,854,000 a year earlier and an average of 8,846,000 pounds.

Total stocks of all varieties of chases were increased by 7,667,000 results be a stocks.

Total stocks of all varieties of cheese were increased by 3,663,000 pounds during April. This compares with a decrease during April 1939 of 6,308,000 pounds. The 5-year average also shows a decrease for April of 4,750,000 pounds. May 1 stocks were 3,255,000 pounds in excess of those on hand May 1, 1939, and 7,207,000 above average.

The seasonal into-storage accumulation of eggs continued during April with net increases of 2,455,000 cases of shell and 35,129,000 pounds of frozen egg meats. During April 1939 the net increases were 2,252,000 cases and 28,402,000 pounds for shell and frozen eggs, respectively, and the average for April 2,354,000 cases and 25,206,000 pounds. Total case-equivalent increase was 3,459,000 compared with 3,063,000 during April 1939 and 3,074,000 average. May 1, 1940, stocks were the equivalent of 320,000 cases less than those on hand May 1, 1939, and 413,000 cases less than average.

Total stocks of all frozen poultry were reduced by 29,024,000 pounds, which quantity compares with a net reduction for April a year ago of 20,419,000 and the average for April of 21,339,000. May 1 stocks exceeded those of a year earlier by 15,850,000 and the average by 19,088,000 pounds. Turkey stocks were reduced by 10,041,000 pounds during April.

(See table on page 9 for May 1, 1940, holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	May 1, 5-yr.av. 1935-39	May 1, 1939	April 1, 1940	May 1, 1940			
CREAM	- Thousands -						
Forty percent40-qt. cans Twenty percent" " BUTTER	46 4	71	49	60			
Creamery, totalpounds	21,626	70,909	8,875	9,457			
DPMA holdings" FSCC & relief holdings "	- a)(56,859 5,196	1,186 189 7,500	0 1,243 8,214			
	8,846	8,854	6	12			
Packing stock " "	55	1)	0	16			
American " Swiss including block " Brick and Munster " Limburger " All other varieties "	60,313 3,273 603 516 6,688	62,866 3,704 668 572 7,535	61,510 3,007 612 681 9,127	65,160 2,445 648 710 9,637			
TOTAL CHEESE"	71,393	75,345	74,937	78,600			
EGGS Shellcases Frozen 1/equivalent cases	3,581 84,282 2,408	3,357 88,867 2,539	854 44,199 1,263	*3,309 79,328 2,267			
TOTAL EGGS 2/cases	5,989	5,896	2,117	5,576			
FROZEN POULTRY Broilers pounds Fryers " Roasters " Fowls " Turkeys " Ducks " Miscellaneous poultry " Unclassified frozen poultry "	6,981 6,432 14,510 9,566 17,875 1,128 10,838 3/	5,779 6,586 15,513 10,907 17,832 1,090 12,861 3/	6,486 4,737 15,694 17,043 53,708 1,472 10,109 6,193	4,518 3,228 9,860 12,369 43,667 971 8,039 3,766			
TOTAL FROZEN POULTRY. "	67,330	70,568	115,442	86,418			

Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 35 pounds to the case.

SPECIAL NOTE: 85 percent of total frozen eggs reported as of May 1, 1940, were classified as follows: Whites - 33 percent; Yolks - 24 percent; and Mixed - 43 percent.

Carried under "Miscellaneous poultry" previous to January 1, 1940.

Includes 25,000 cases owned by Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation for relief distribu-

tion.

MEATS AND LARD

Frozen and cured beef stocks were reduced by 10,601,000 pounds during April. Stocks of 61,959,000 pounds on hand May 1 were 25,093,000 pounds in excess of those of May 1 last year but 4,288,000 pounds below the 5-year (1935-39) average.

Stocks of pork, frozen and cured, were reduced by 38,763,000 pounds. May 1 stocks totaled 613,970,000 pounds - 86,757,000 more than on May 1 last year and 52,687,000 pounds above average.

A slight net out-of-storage movement of lard occurred during the month. The decrease totaled 2,425,000 pounds. May 1 holdings, however, were 136,819,000 greater than those of a year earlier and 137,211,000 pounds above average.

(See table on page 9 for May 1, 1940, holdings by geographic divisions) May 1, April 1, May 1, .. May 1, 5-yr.av. Commodity 1939 1940.. 1940 1935-39 - Thousand pounds -BEEF 48,652 23,648 49,403 Frozen..... 58,713 In process of cure..... 11,061 9,283 9,719 8,746 4,128 6,534 Cured..... 3,935 3,810 66,247 36,866 TOTAL BEEF..... 72,560 61,959 PORK 210,137 194,768 323,810 301,599 43,800 48,803 42,536 38,642 Dry salt in process of cure..... 47,192 33,101 Dry salt cured..... 39,202 39,381 145,818 161,595 Pickled in process of cure..... 140,781 135,655 Pickled cured..... 121,918 89,354 101,569 95,538 561,283 TOTAL PORK..... 527,213 652,733 613,970 LAMB AND MUTTON 2,693 1,956 Frozen..... 4,257 3,570 TRIMMINGS AND EDIBLE OFFAL 70,606 62,709 87,456 Frozen and cured..... 101,181 TOTAL MEATS..... 700,829 628,744 766,955 830,731 129,141 129,533 268,777

HOLDINGS OF SPECIFIED COMMODITIES, BY STATES, MAY 1, 1940 Cream American Frozen Total Butter Eggs (40-qt. cheese poul try State eggs Lbs. cans) Lbs. Lbs. Cases Lbs. - Thousands -Massachusetts... 236 1,397 1,524 7,071 Other States..... 329 183 13 473 428 7,499 NEW ENGLAND.... 565 1,585 78 1,997 45 928 6,887 268 17,253 New York.... 4,627 2,871 502 3,191 236 New Jersey.... 8,670 140 Pennsylvania.... 2 1,639 797 2,807 3,331 MIDDLE ATLANTIC .. 3,069 10,875 644 10,305 29,254 5 170 Ohio 295 295 3,760 929 34 437 Indiana..... 19 29 909 1,692 947 3,291 Illinois..... 12,014 17,768 Michigan.... 253 1,231 1,281 486 103 Wisconsin..... 36,311 138 20 684 639 EAST N. CENTRAL... 1,667 40,402 1,231 21,054 19,381 Minnesota..... 710 408 86 1,318 2,507 2,285 12,038 3,733 Iowa.... 44 17 37 849 Missouri..... 261 885 177 4,590 Nebraska..... 41 5,068 129 453 Kansas.... 12 104 123 6,552 331 Dakotas..... 86 36 6 2 WEST N. CENTRAL.... 1,192 1,867 466 26,012 13,351 SOUTH ATLANTIC.... 533 1,184 97 2,427 1,704 Kentucky..... 981 130 3 142 13 339 Tennessee..... 67 150 118 835 65 17 222 69 Alabama & Mississippi. 20 EAST S. CENTRAL 90 357 148 1,396 1,180 3,334 8,746 Oklahoma.... 33 31 45 2 Texas. 185 1,398 72 548 Arkansas & Louisiana.. 45 155 20 1,522 84 WEST S. CENTRAL 677 232 1,586 123 13,602 Colorado..... 80 292 285 332 61 Other States.... 23 2,964 33 42 419 MOUNTAIN..... 103 751 3,256 94 327 Washington.... 1,031 3,273 251 326 141 Oregon...... 10 532 12 292 1,102 California.... 1,745 3,190 275 2,558 6,573 PACIFIC.... 2,006 4,048 3,881 428 10,948 Other States, combined 3 for cream only..... UNITED STATES... 60 9,457 3,309 79,328 86,418

APPLE HOLDINGS IN COLD STORAGE, BY STATES

		May 1, 1939				
State	Barrels	Western	Eaștern	Baskets	Total bushels	Total bushels
		·	-	Thousands	_	·
Massachusetts New York New Jersey Pennsylvania Ohio Indiana Illinois Michigan Wisconsin Minnesota Missouri Virginia Texas Washington Oregon California Other States	- - 2 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	4 6 7 6 4 2 8 7 12 16 23 1,396 67 283 18	64 465 71 35 35 36 36 3 - 96 - - 45	- 143 110 95 48 4 74 96 5 3 14 160 - - - 30	68 614 188 142 87 9 128 132 16 26 311 23 1,396 67 283 99	38 648 259 169 85 19 196 207 21 36 81 428 25 1,741 140 488 138
UNITED STATES	17	1,867	899	782	3,599	4,719

FROZEN FRUITS: HOLDINGS IN SMALL AND LARGE CONTAINERS APRIL 1 and MAY 1, 1940

Commodity	13	containers lb. capacity)	In bulk or large containers (30 lb. or greater capacity)			
	April 1	May 1	April 1	May 1		
	4	- Thousan	nd pounds -			
Blackberries Blueberries Cherries Logan and similar berries Raspberries Strawberries Other fruits Classification not reported	818 407 1,076 9,076 3,647	146 1,178 786 300 958 7,650 3,620 408	3,284 2,913 15,366 1,144 5,032 16,517 12,381 15,946	2,450 2,588 12,539 986 4,486 13,017 11,155 13,353		
TOTAL	17,116	15,046	72,583	60,574		

1. 006	Total	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	17 1,867 899 782		1,178 7,86 300 958 7,650	2,450 2,588 12,539 986 4,486 13,017 24,508	2,596 3,766 13,325 1,286 5,444 20,667 28,536	5,593 10,158 4,172 1,361 5,339 12,278 4,647 5,541
	Pacific	. 	1,745	- 47	37 1 192 150 3,441 1,024	567 432 599 11,829 3,431		458 281 95 220 936 1,826 1,241
•	Mountain	-; ! ! ! !	11010	1 1 1 1	114114	203 .	100 1224 234 53	28 18 451
	West South Central	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 9 1 1	1 1 1 1	22 4 1 1 1 4 4 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	5 58 14 673 286	5 62 1,114 325	83 78 31 22 49 133 44 217
IVISIONS	East South Central	Thousands -	1 M 1 M	, ,	14 15 15 15 15	53 73 73 73 73 73 73 73	53 69 45 115 347	23 40 10 20 20 20 80 90
	South Atlantic	rod <u>T</u> -	14 24 107 177	1 1 1	9 81 154 12 87 1,083	258 245 245 21 21 27 1,335 933	267 96 400 33 114 2,418	117 347 367 206 107 141 345 274 399
GEOGRAPHIC	West North Central		28.	1 1 1 1)	63 63 111 350 98	295 367 533 84 1,077 1,413 458	300 382 596 93 1,188 1,763	100 277 76 24 303 369 314 314 285
40, BY	East North Central		22 123 225	1 (ल्)	65 213 175 70 285 733 1,238	240 422 3,528 170 882 4,354	305 635 3,703 240 1,167 3,850 5,592	1,219 351 131 934 2,054 660 569
1, 194	Widdle Atlantic		3 19 571 347	i i ro t	24 781 297 12 1,028 1,085	992 1,571 7,424 92 1,455 3,752	1,016 2,352 7,721 104 1,603 4,780	4,085 7,661 3,268 7,82 2,596 6,857 2,945 2,309
S, MAY	New		1488 1	1 1 1 1	4 83 62 155 510	42 203 151 18 885 623 270	46 286 213 21 21 1,040 1,133 400	134 248 139 65 349 586 126 61
COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS	Commodity	FRUITS, FRESH	Apples	Pears, Bartlettspacked boxes Pears, Bartlettsloose boxes Pears, all other varietiesboxes Pears	In small containers Electrories Blueberries Cherries Logan and similar berries Raspberries Strawberries Other fruits	In bulk or large containers Blackberries Blueberries Cherries Logan and similar berries Raspberries Strewberries Other fruits	0	Asparagus. Beans, lima. Beans, snap. Brocoli, green. Corn, sweet. Peas, green. Spinach. Other vegetables.

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	Total	09	9,457	65,160 2,445 648 710 9,637	3,309	4,518 3,228 9,860 12,369 43,667 8,039 3,766	49,403 8,746 3,810	301,599 42,536 38,642 135,655 95,538	3,570	87,456	266,352	
CONT'D.)	Pacific	1 1	2,006	4,048 134 - 771	428 3,881	301 58 383 785 785 8,306 . 51	3,083 136 86	10,084 676 220 4,279 3,073	205	2,422	2,280	
	Mountain	1 1	103	3,256 95 44 177	54	24 21 21 174 411 411 96	468 55 34	3,193 280 246 2,230 1,113	24	1,748	1,479	
DIVISIONS	West South Central	1 1	232	1,586 57 24 22 126	123	493 127 127 128 128	2,883 302 20	5,790 1,316 1,293 3,128 1,956	121	2,018	1,967.	
	East South Central	- spue	06	357 13 2 2 3 318	148	79 115 1164 207 23 503 28	364	4,340 1,248 653 1,809 870	1	1,180	721	
GEOGRAPHIC	South Atlantic	Thousands -	533	1,184	97.	26 57 318 237 703 54 12	1,559 166 124	11,224 2,134 2,698 3,660 2,427	78	5,691	2,080	
940, BY	West North Central	41	1,192	1,867 24 49 19 507	466	2,433 1,209 1,396 4,561 862 1,924	9,275 1,517 756	148,518 19,468 17,712 55,684 41,776	612	34,308	40,182	
	East North Central	∞ ι	1,667	40,402 1,600 440 597 896	1,231	1,307 2,552 4,576 7,903 2,411 2,411	21,468 5,320 1,995	98,526 15,559 15,314 48,374 39,169	: 833	28,306	212,482	l stocks.
NGS, MAY	Middle Atlantic	448	3,069	10,875 502 36 90 6,432	644 10,305	617 693 3,935 4,337 16,248 2,849 2,849	8,743 1,201 785	14,315 1,601 305 9,133 2,852	1,562	10,353	4,722	as commercial
HOLDINGS,	New England	ţŧ	565	1,585	1,997	11339 1,339 208 5,201 5,201 530	1,560	5,609 254 201 7,358 2,302	135	1,430	439	as well as
COLD STORAGE	Commodity	Cream, Forty percent	Butter, creamery 1/pounds	Cheese, American	Eggs, shellpounds		Beef, frozengounds Beef, in process of cure Beef, cured	Pork, frozen	Lamb and mutton, frozen	Frozen and cured trimmings and edible offal	Lard	1/ Includes DFMA, FSCC, and relief holdings,

1/ Includes DFMA, FSCC, and relief holdings, as well as commercial stocks.

OCCUPANCY OF AVAILABLE COLD STORAGE SPACE IN PUBLIC WAREHOUSES

UNITED STATES

May 1, 1940, with comparisons

Date	Number concerns reporting	Av Coolers	vailable spac	ce	Coolers	ed Combined			
January 1 February 1 March 1 April 1 * May 1 **	251 260 256 250 190	100,770 104,785 108,387 114,126 80,997	50,119 52,229 50,473 54,707 38,919	- Thousand 150,889 157,014 158,860 168,833 119,916	44,899 40,424 38,313 44,305 32,963	33,185 34,726 32,156 32,186 21,730	78,084 75,150 70,469 76,491 54,693		

^{*} Revised. ** Preliminary.

PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS

April 1 and May 1, 1940

Geo-		April 1	1940*		May 1, 1940**			
graphic division	Number concerns	Coolers	Freezers	Combined	Number concerns	Coolers	Freezers	Combined
	- Percent -				- Percent -			
New England Middle Atlantic East North Central. West North Central. South Atlantic East South Central. West South Central. Mountain Pacific	10 58 45 27 30 6 18 9 47	26 37 37 64 43 27 43 36 26	48 53 59 76 60 71 57 68 57	36 42 45 69 48 39 46 47 32	9 43 39 22 16 1 14 11 35	31 39 48 43 44 25 49 48 28	45 51 54 73 69 36 61 60 48	37 43 50 55 50 27 52 52 32
United States 1/.	250	37	58	44	190	40	54	44

^{*} Revised. ** Preliminary.

Presult of weighting geographic division percentage figures by respective proportion of total U.S. available space in public cold storage warehouses.